

Palestinian Public Opinion Poll

Gaza, the Day After the War, Living Conditions, Humanitarian Assistance, Peace Process and Negotiations, Assessment of Government Performance, and Elections

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Methodology

- Arab World for Research and Development (AWRAD) is pleased to present the findings of its latest public opinion survey conducted between October 6 and 17, 2024, across the West Bank and Gaza Strip. This survey builds upon two previous rounds conducted in May and August 2024, aiming to highlight the perspectives of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza and amplify their voices amidst ongoing conflict and uncertainty. The survey was conducted during a period marked by violence, widespread displacement, and acute humanitarian crisis in Gaza, and militant confrontations in some areas of the West Bank. As such, the survey examines critical topics such as current living conditions, future outlook, scenarios for ending the war, and expectations for the post-war period. The survey also gauges public trust in humanitarian aid providers, reconstruction efforts, governance, the performance of Palestinian leadership and government, and support for elections. Fieldwork concluded prior to the news of the death of Yahya Sinwar, Hamas's leader.
- The survey utilized two complementary methodologies. AWRAD conducted phone interviews with 281 Palestinians (97 in the West Bank and 184 in Gaza) using a systematic selection process from a tracking list of respondents who participated in a baseline survey conducted during May 2024.
- In addition, our team conducted face-to-face interviews with 721 Palestinians (514 in the West Bank and 207 in Gaza) by a dedicated team of 45 specialized AWRAD enumerators.

Methodology

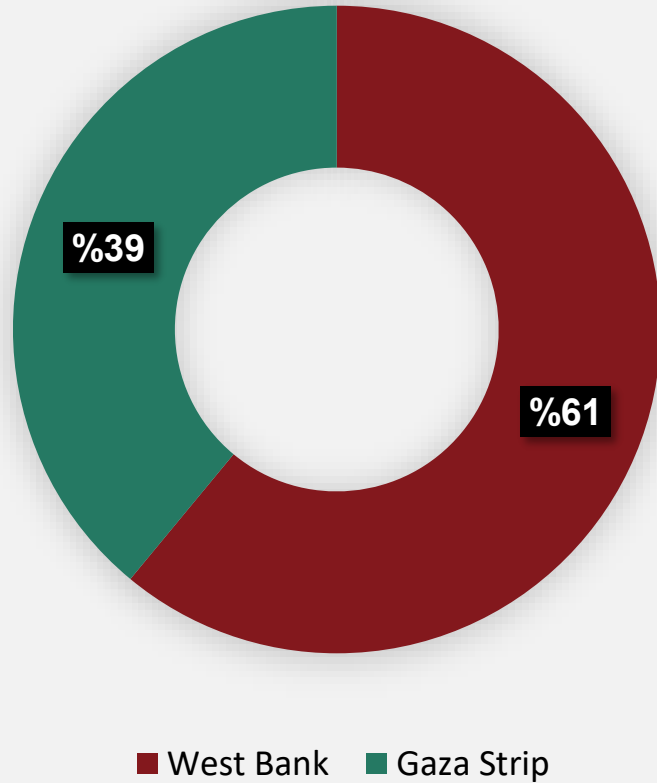
- The sample of 1,002 participants was distributed as follows: 611 individuals from the West Bank and 391 from Gaza (61% to 39%).
- In the West Bank, PCBS updated population data served as the framework for our sample selection, while utilizing a systematic probability sampling method ensuring randomness and representation.
- In Gaza, the sample accounted for significant demographic shifts caused by displacement due to the ongoing conflict. The selection process was based on systematic selection of region and covered all governorates. Due to the ongoing population shifts, efforts were made to ensure proportional representation based on “soft quotas” across governorate of origin, age, gender and education. Overall, these variables were further weighted to ensure alignment with official population statistics.
- Multiple data sources on population movement in Gaza were analyzed to ensure the accuracy of sampling. These included publications on population movements by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), which utilized satellite imagery from UNOSAT.¹ Each selected EA was compared against UNOSAT imagery, and estimates of tent coverage were independently produced by AWRAD.
- Quality assurance was applied through direct field supervision, covering 20% of interviews at the field level. Callback validation of select questions was conducted with 17% of the sample. Data quality control included checks on question and questionnaire duration, mapping data collection maps per enumerator to ensure conformity to sampling procedures, as well as analysis of key questions and demographic markers. Data quality control was conducted two days after the beginning of data collection, at the 33%-mark, 67%-mark, and 100%-mark.
- The margin of error for this survey is $\pm 3.2\%$.

¹https://indicatorsspatialdata-pcbs.hub.arcgis.com/datasets/872960147fcc40119d99a68ca87806f0_1/explore

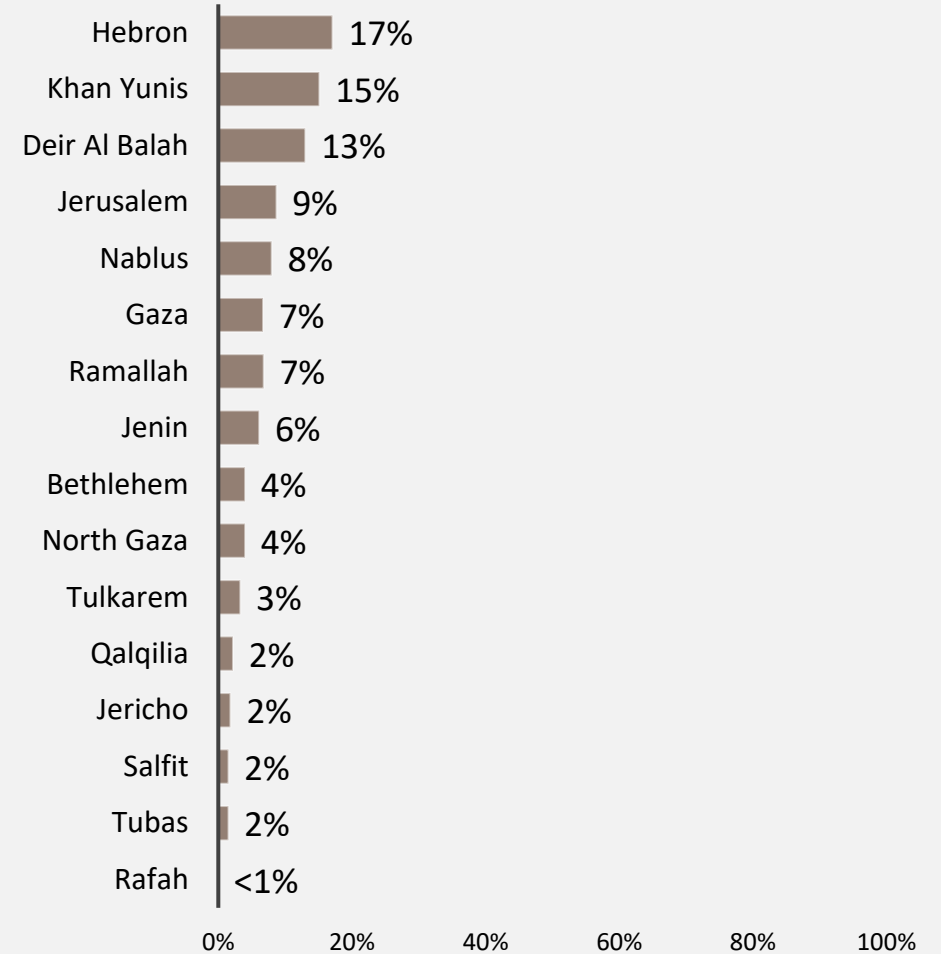
Section One: Sample Distribution

Distribution by Region and Governorate of Present Residence

Regional distribution

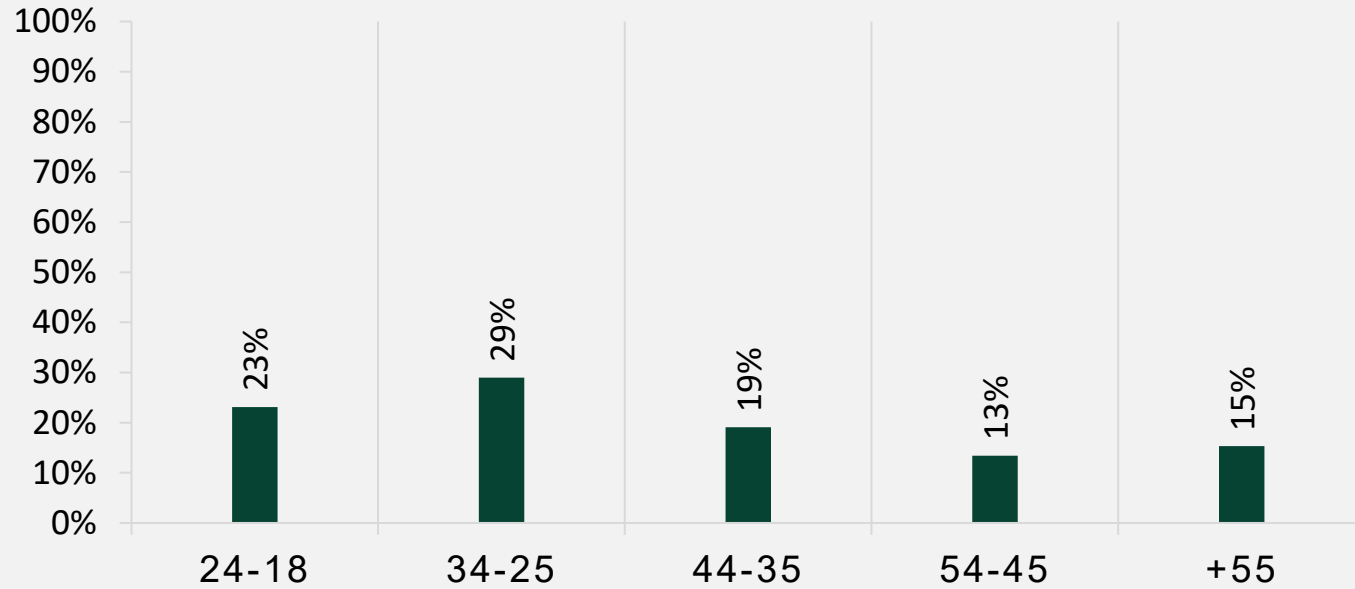


Governorate of present residence

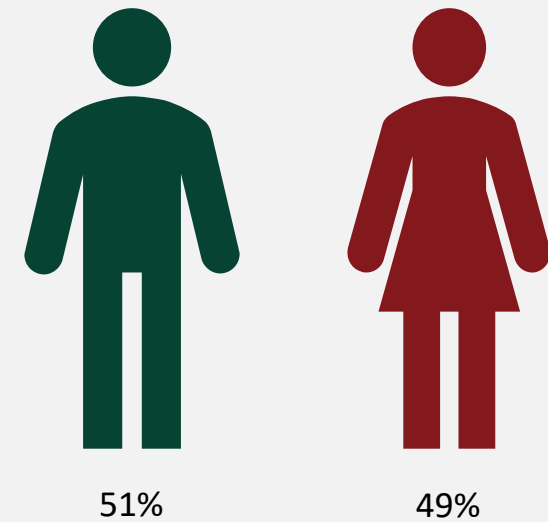


Distribution by Gender and Age of Respondent

Age distribution

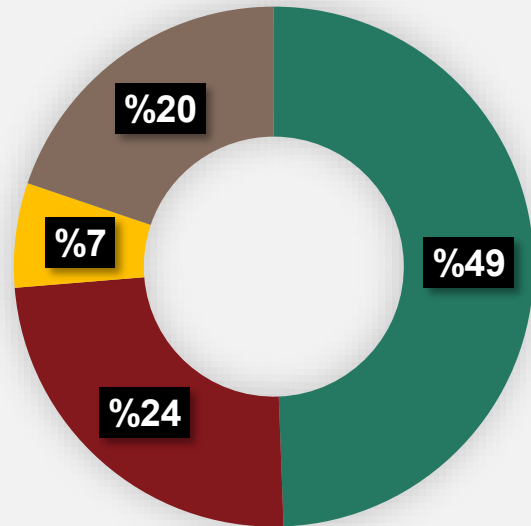


Gender distribution



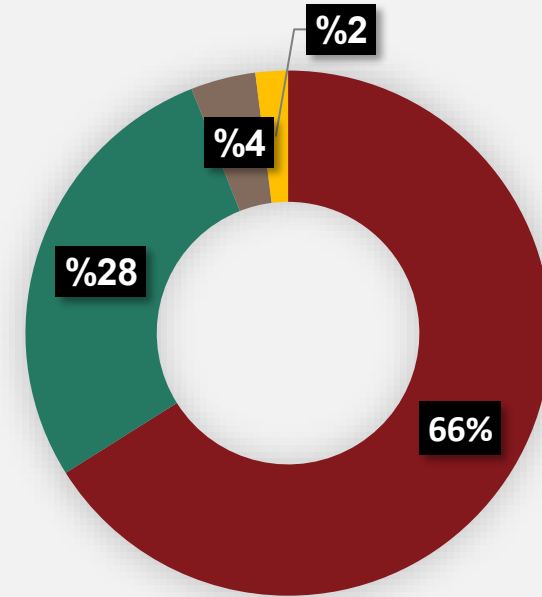
Distribution by Educational Attainment and Marital Status

Educational attainment



■ 9 Years of schooling or less ■ 10-12 Years of schooling
■ 1 to 2-Year college diploma ■ BA or more

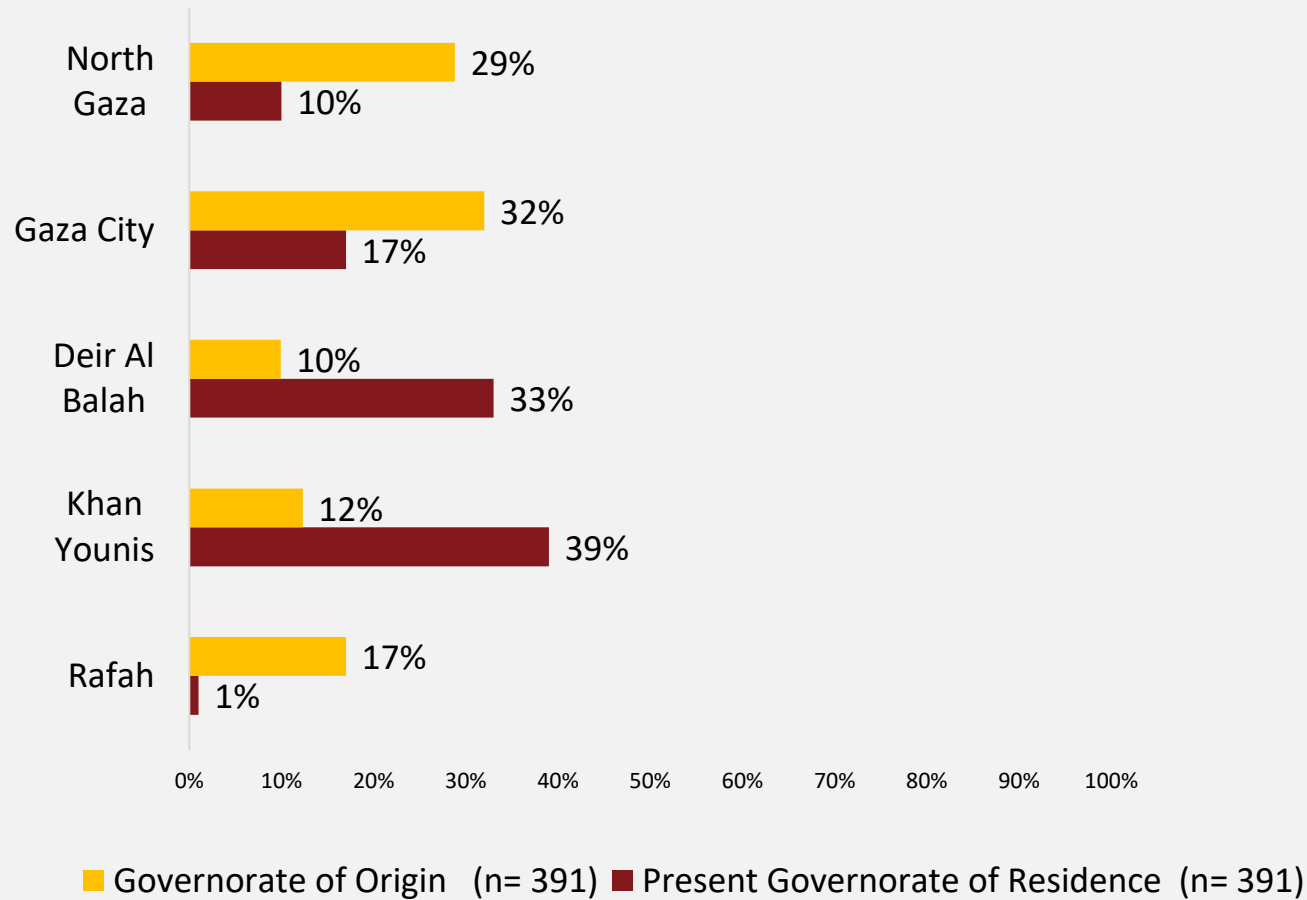
Marital status



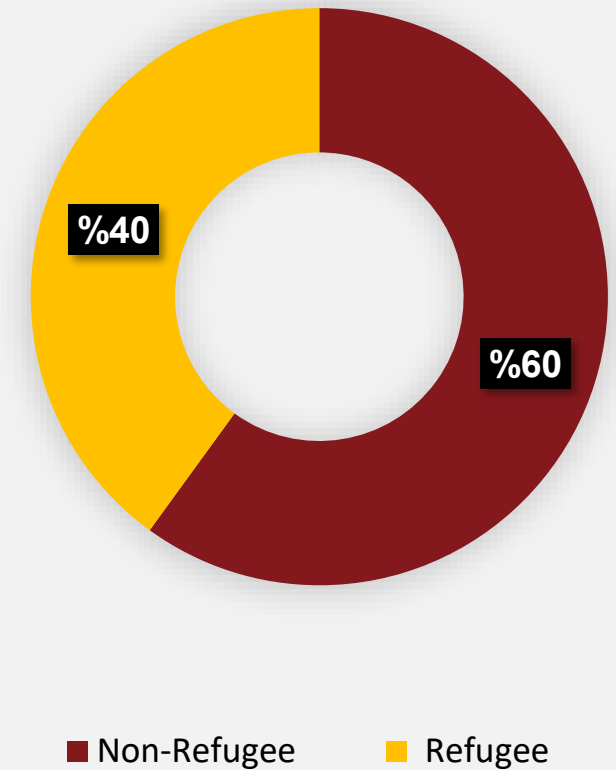
■ Married ■ Single ■ Widowed ■ Divorced/Separated

Distribution by Current Governorate of Residence, Governorate of Origin, and Refugee Status

Comparison between current governorate of residence and governorate of origin

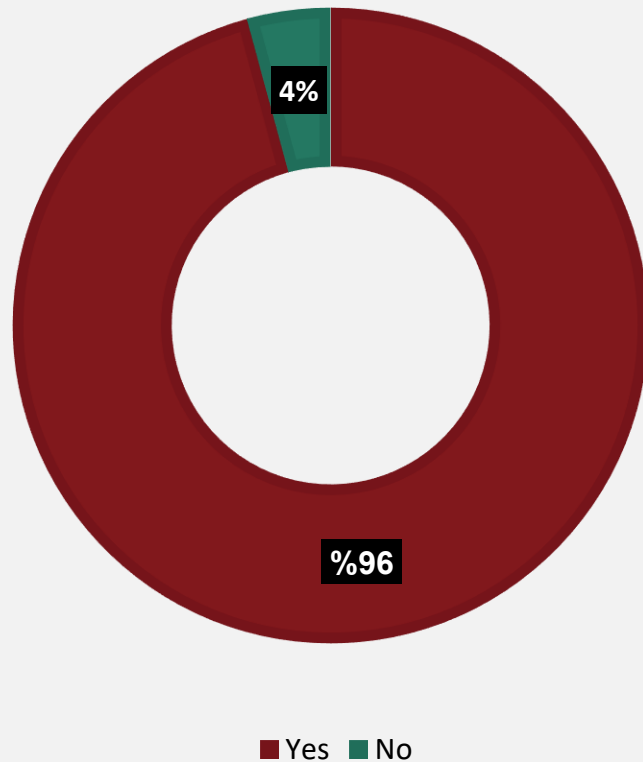


Refugee status

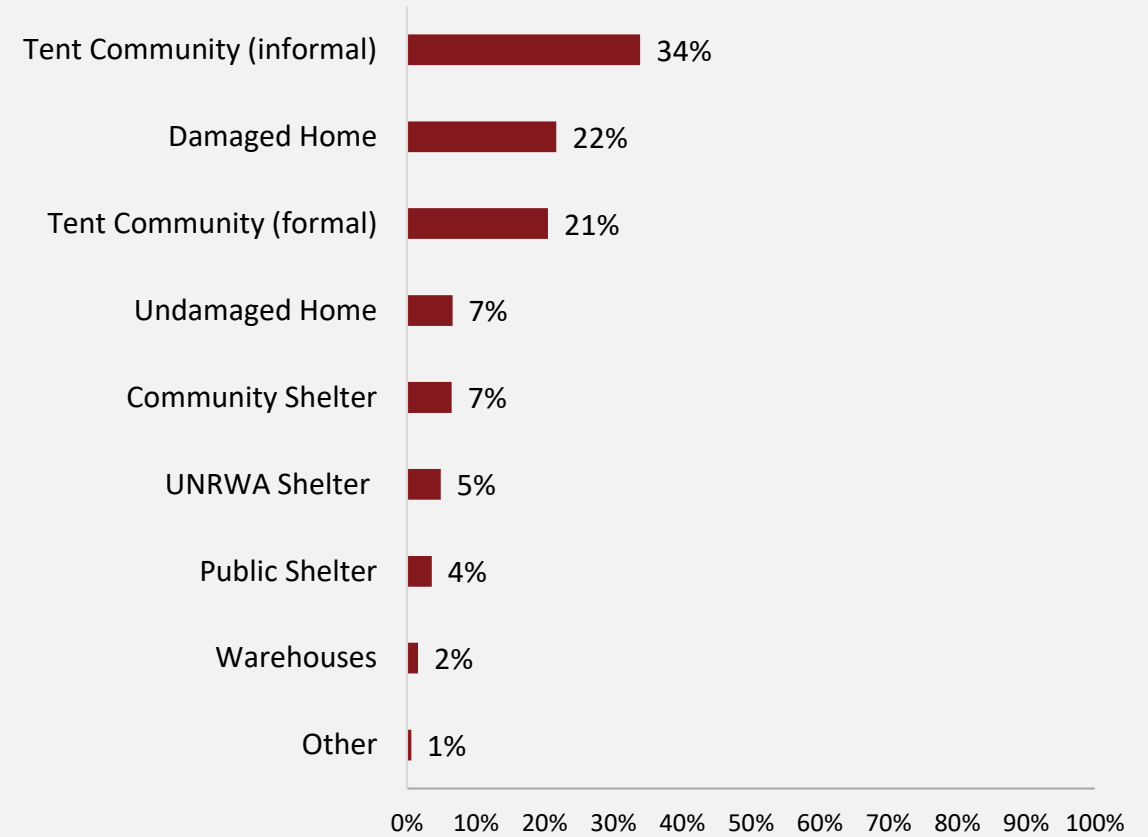


Distribution by Displacement and Type of Residence (Gaza Respondents Only n=391)

Displacement due to the war



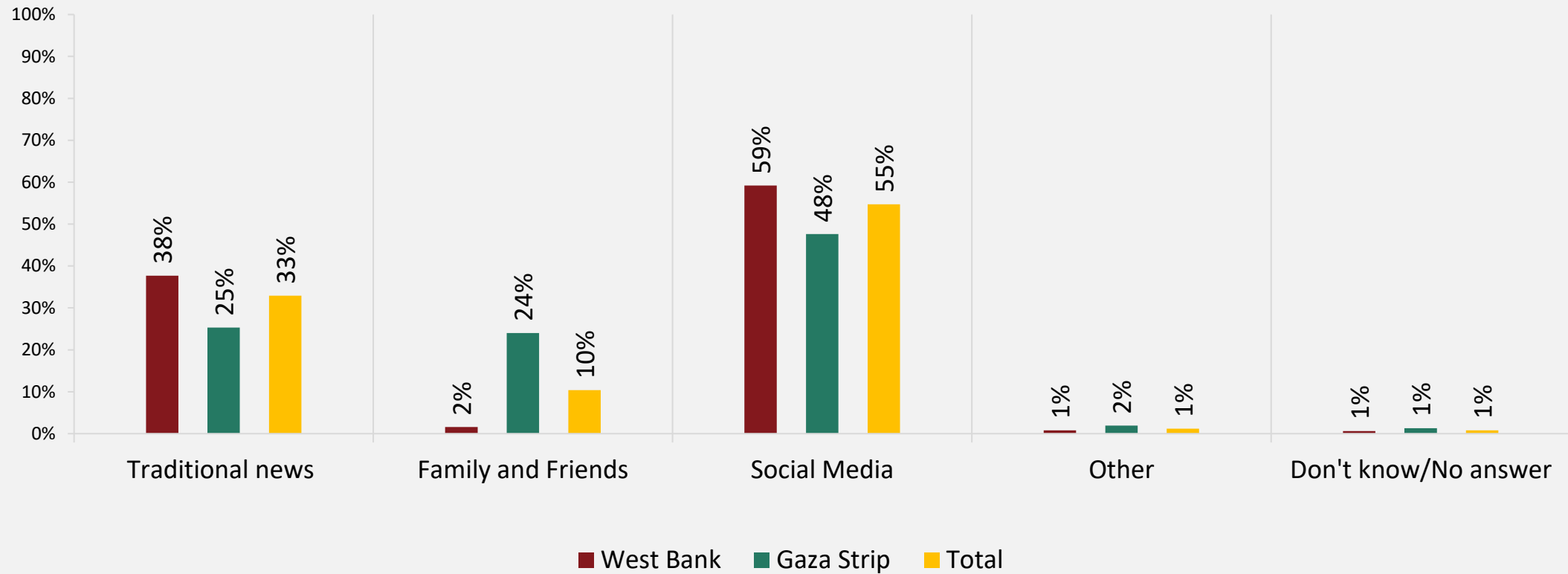
Current type of dwelling



Section Two: News and Information Sources

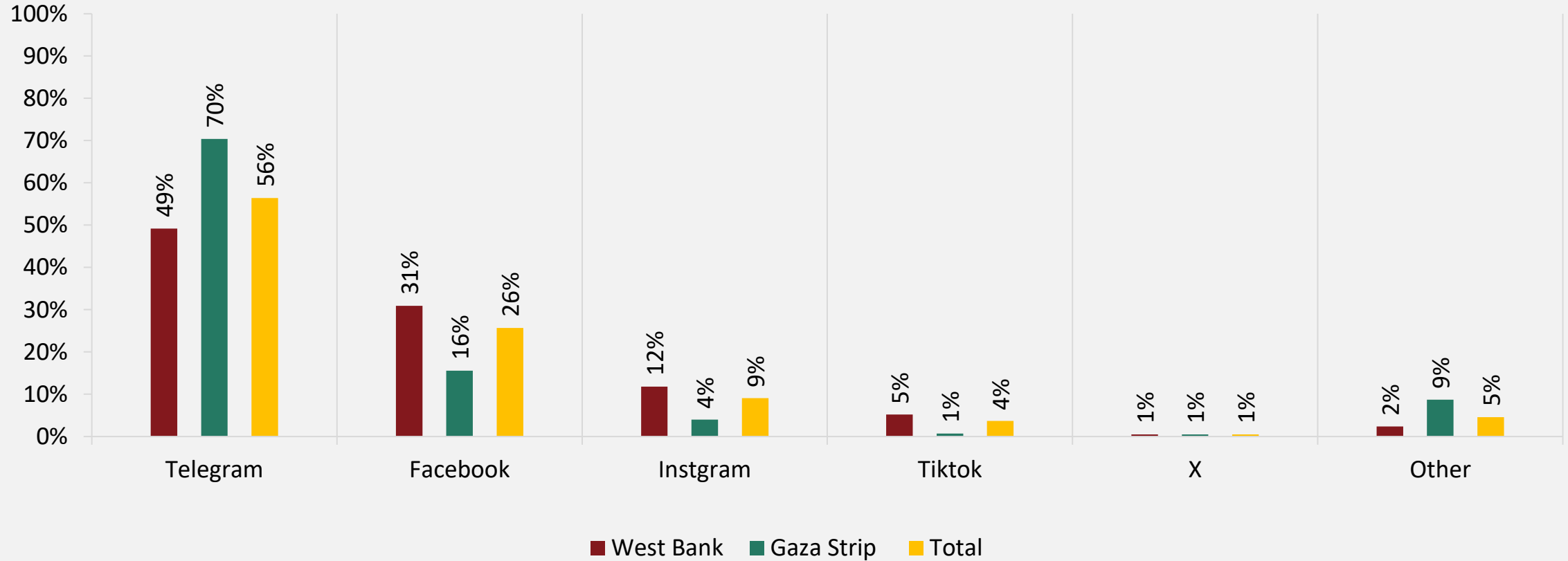
Primary Source of News

What is your primary source of news and information?



Preferred Social Media Outlet

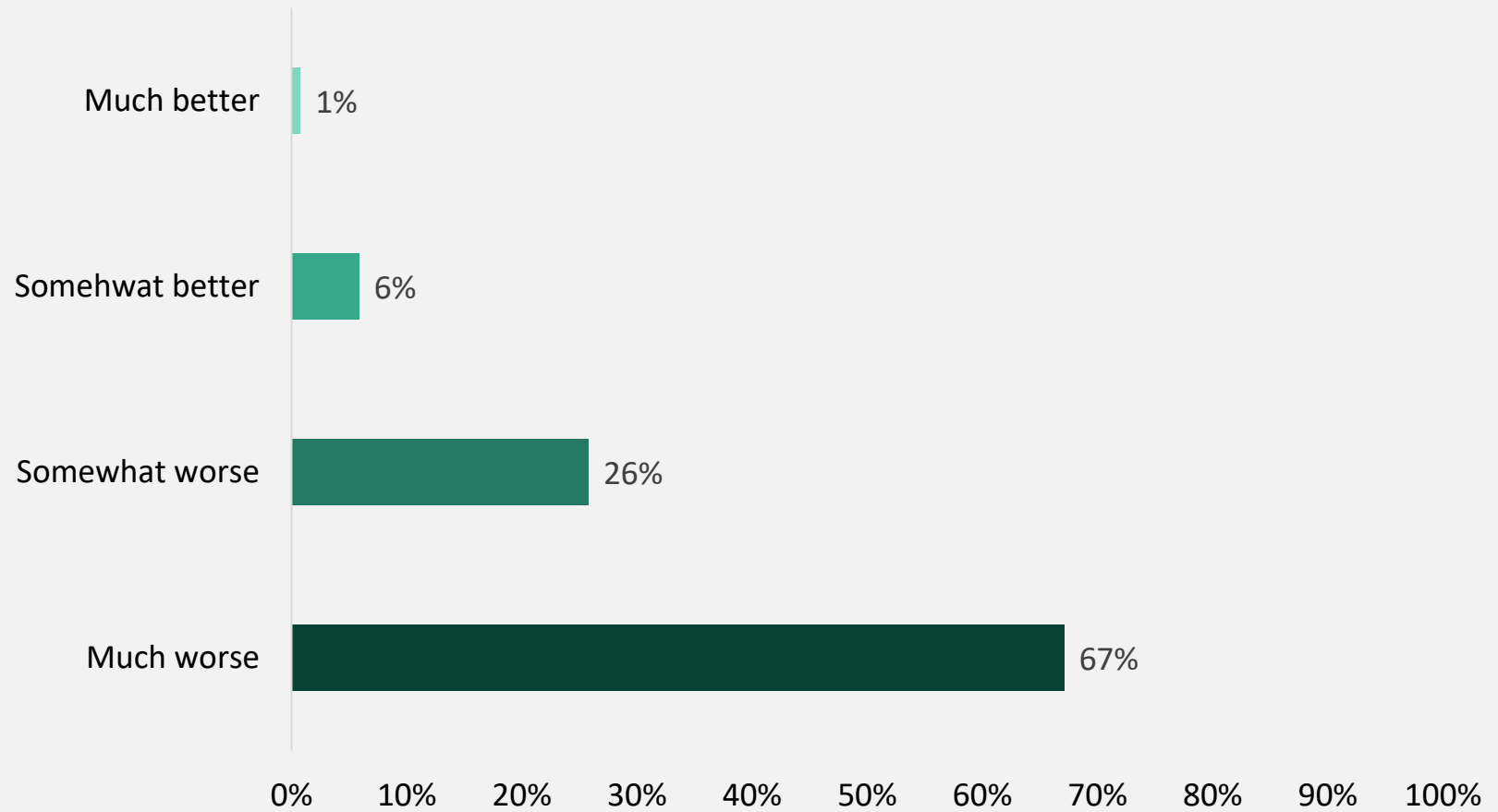
Which social media platform do you use to receive news and information?



(Social Media users only responded = 548)

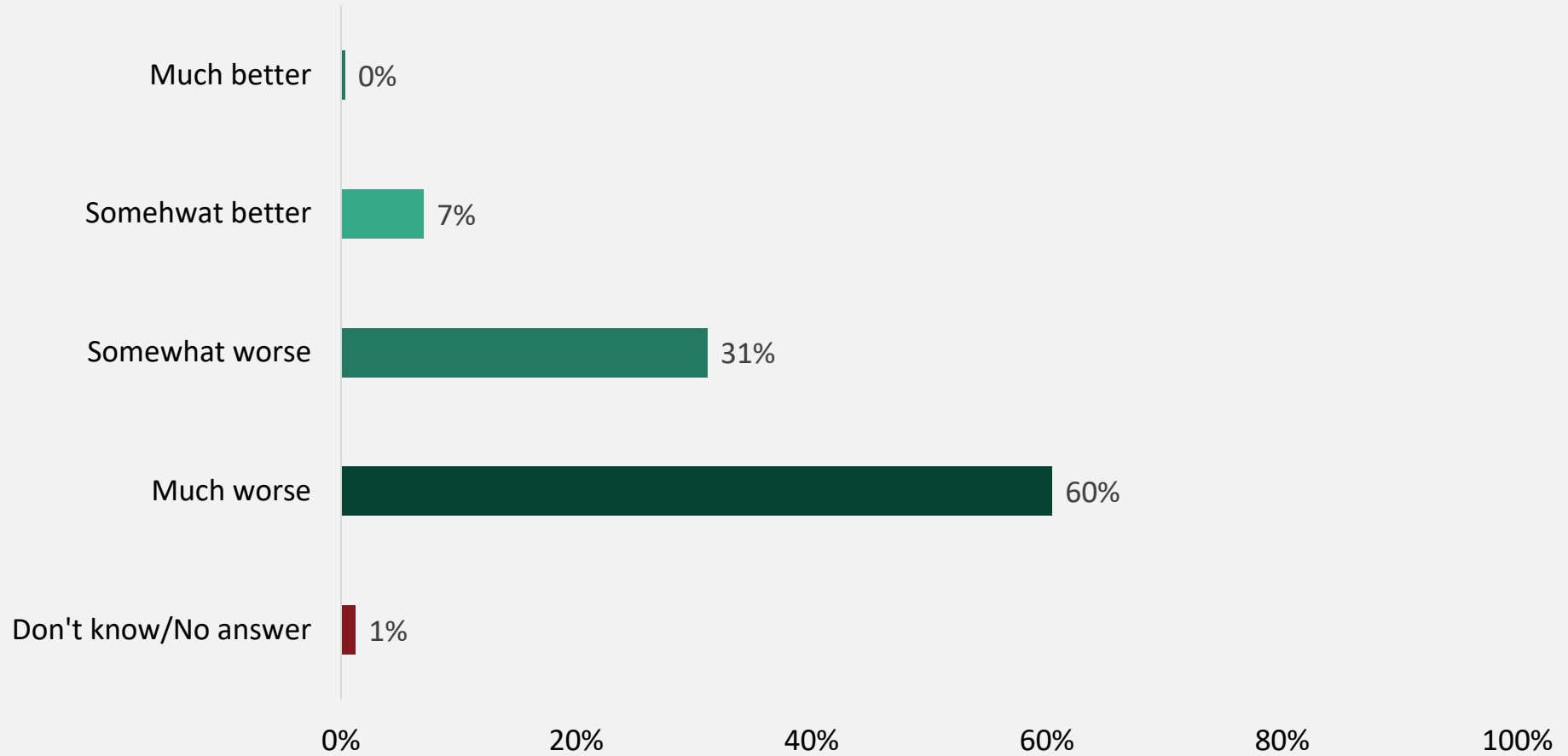
Section Three: Assessment of Present Conditions and Future Outlook

Is your household's economic situation better or worse than it was a year ago?



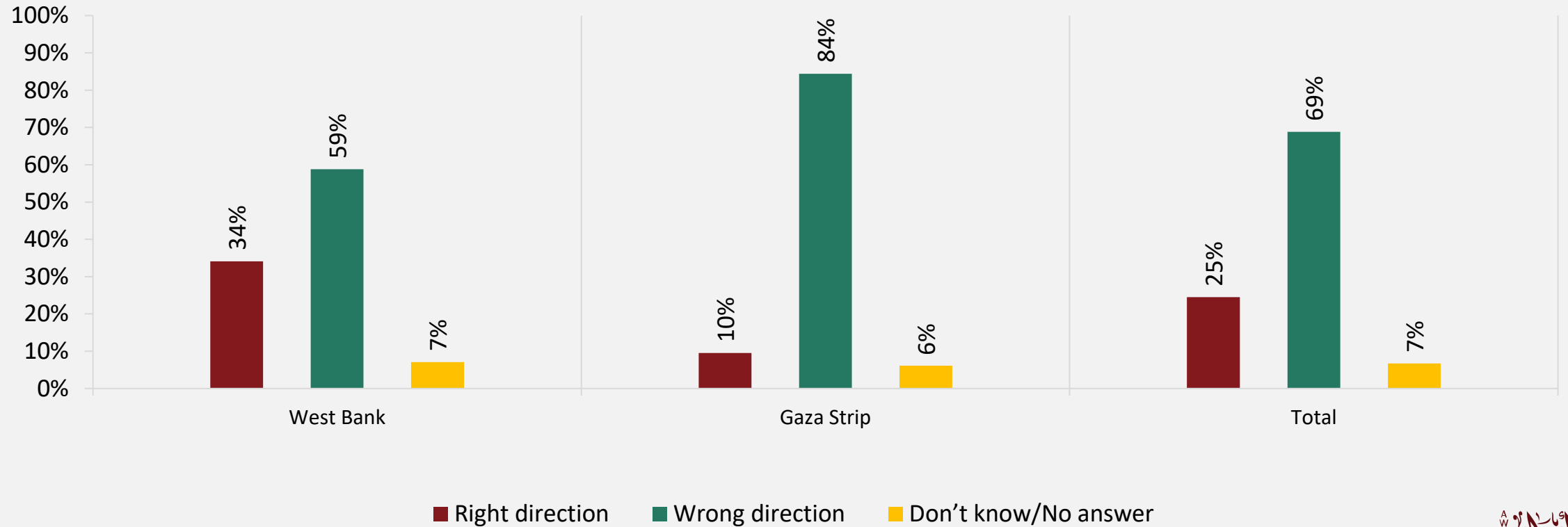
Security Conditions

Do you feel that security in your region is better or worse than it was a year ago?



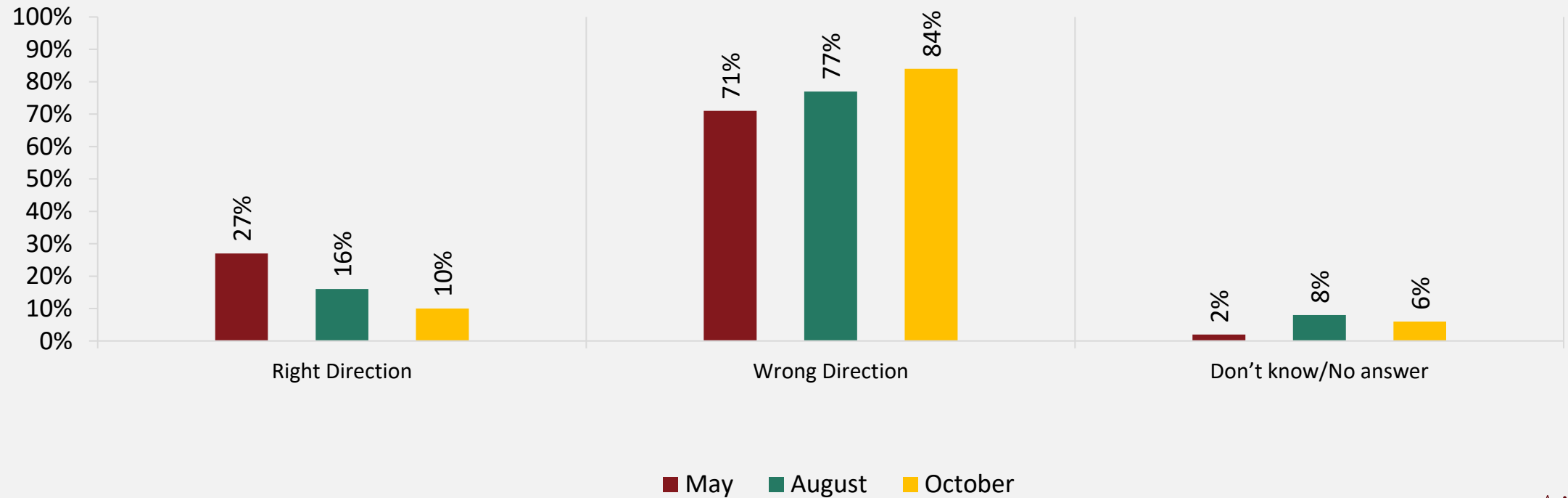
Views of the Present Conditions among Palestinians

Would you say that things in Palestine are heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?



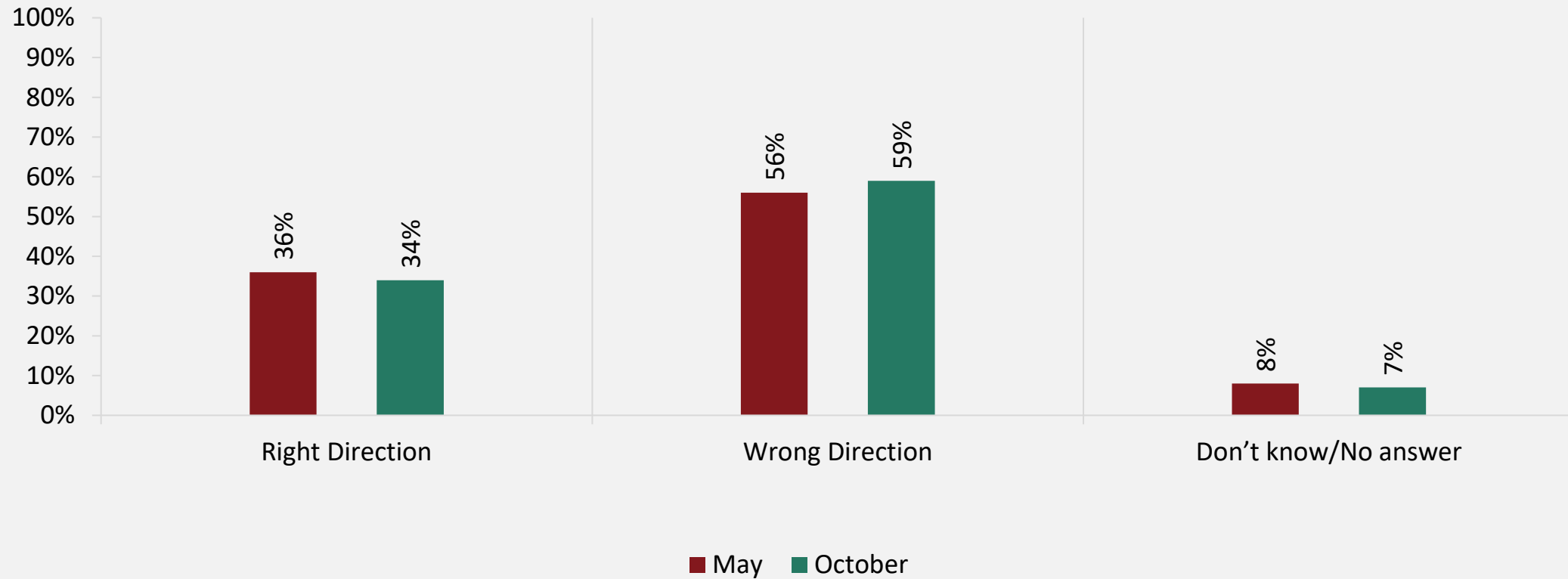
Views of the Present Conditions among Gaza Palestinians (Comparative Results)

Would you say that things in Palestine are heading in the right direction or the wrong direction



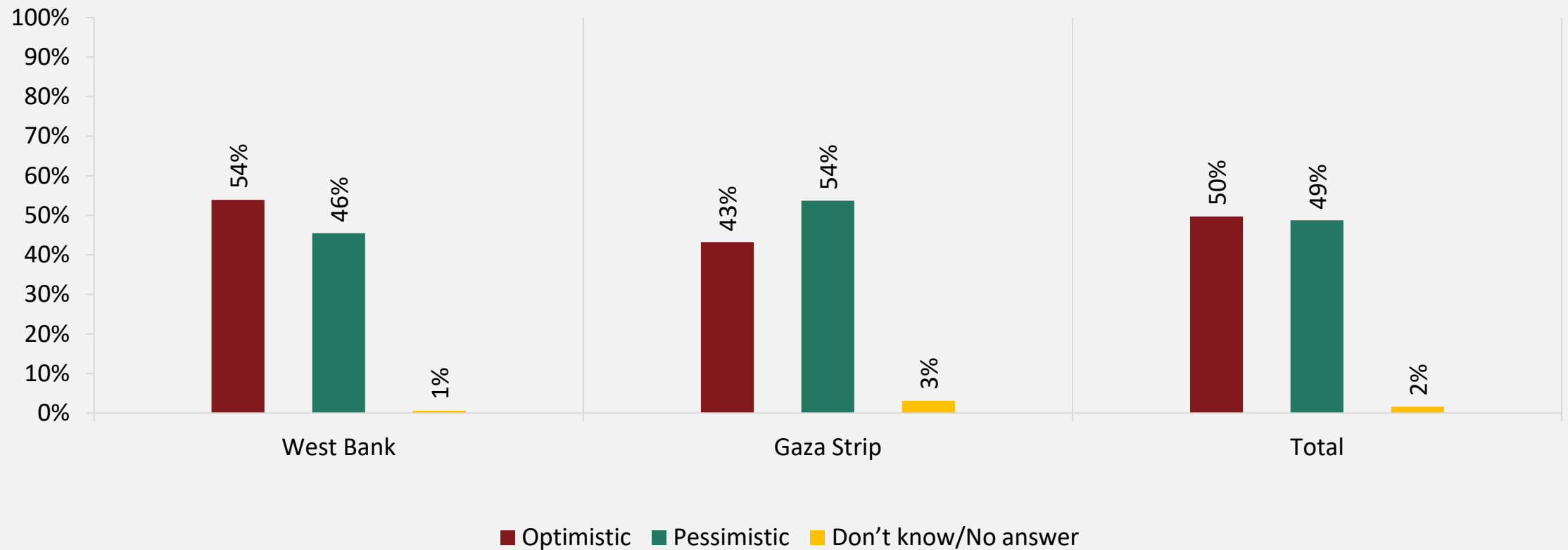
Views of the Present Conditions among West Bank Palestinians (Comparative Results)

Would you say that things in Palestine are heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?



Views of the Future among Palestinians

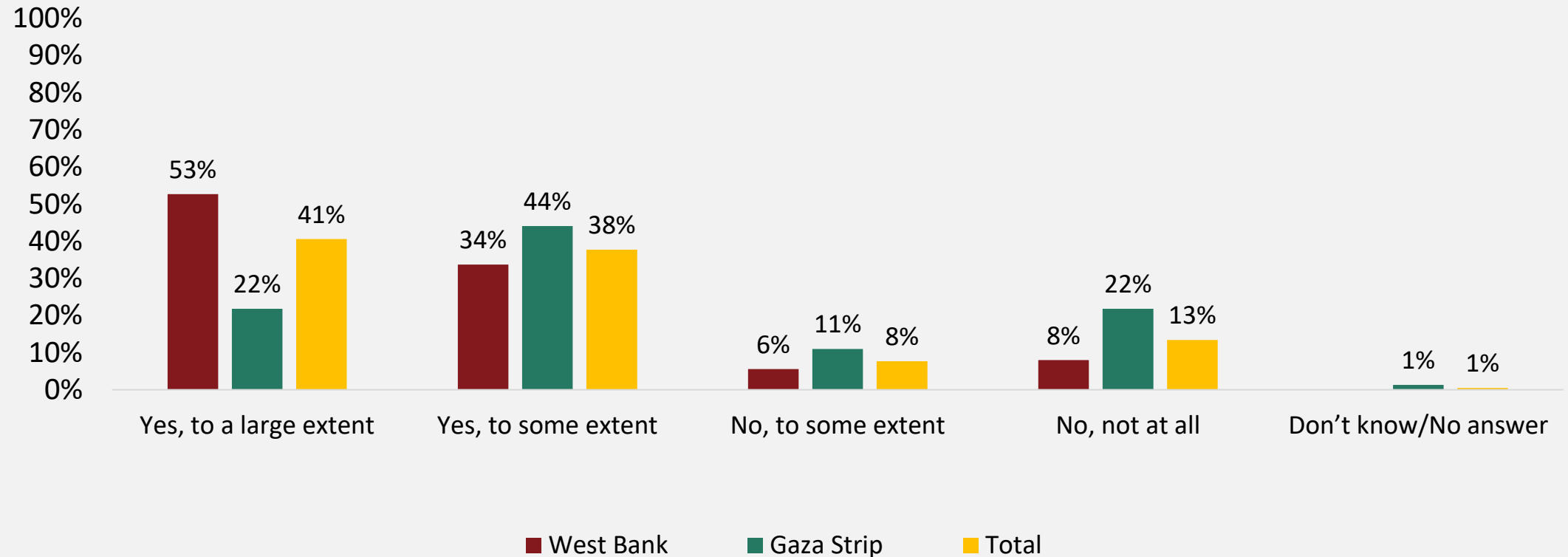
Are you optimistic or pessimistic about the future?



Section Four: West Bank Escalation

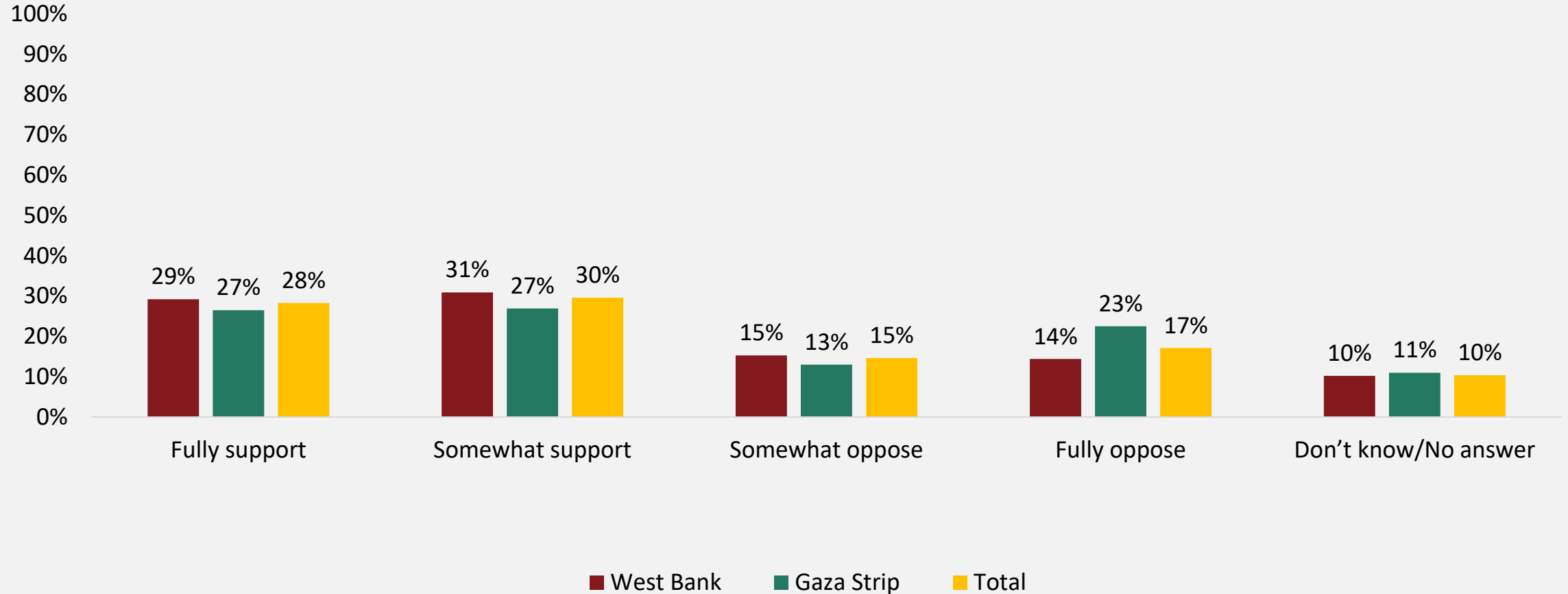
Following the Recent Militant Escalation in Key Areas of the West Bank

Have you been following the recent militant escalation in different areas of the West Bank namely, in Jenin, Tulkarm, Tubas, and Hebron?



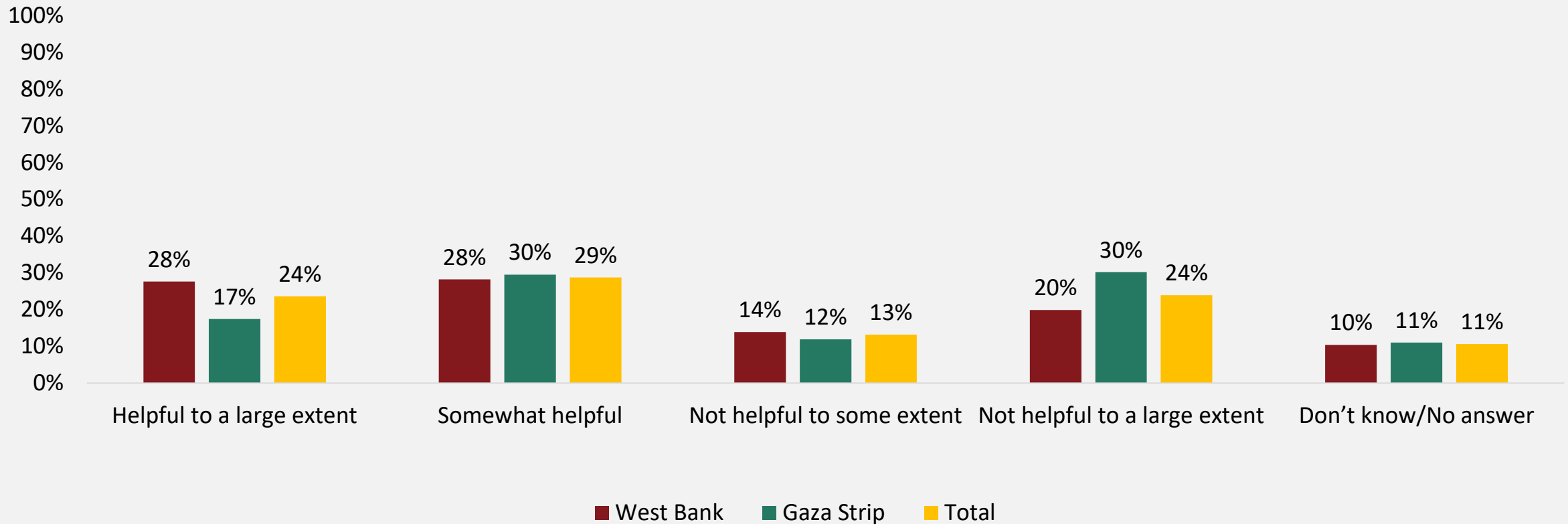
Views of Actions by Young Militant Groups

Do you support or oppose the actions or confrontations initiated by young militant groups?



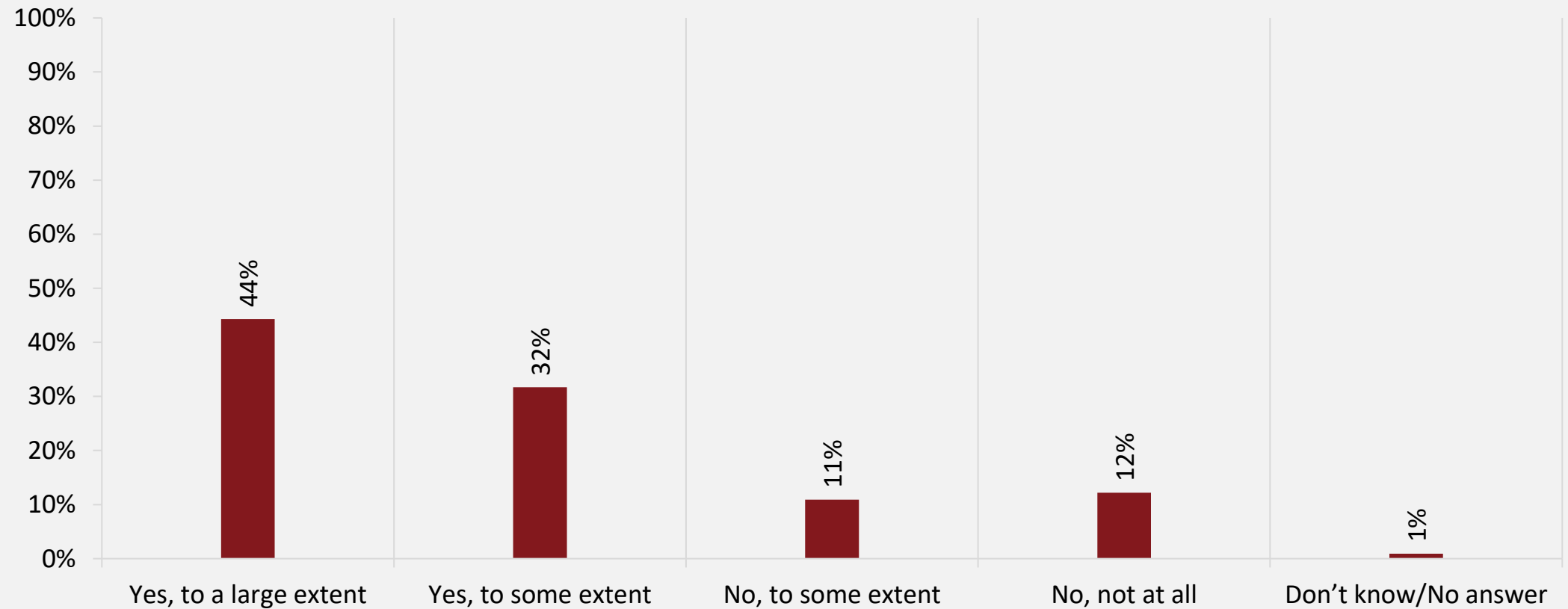
Assessment of the Utility of Armed Escalation

Do you believe that these actions or confrontations are helpful or unhelpful to achieve the objective of an independent Palestinian state?



Concern for a West Bank Escalation

Are you concerned that a similar escalation to that in Gaza will take place in the West Bank?

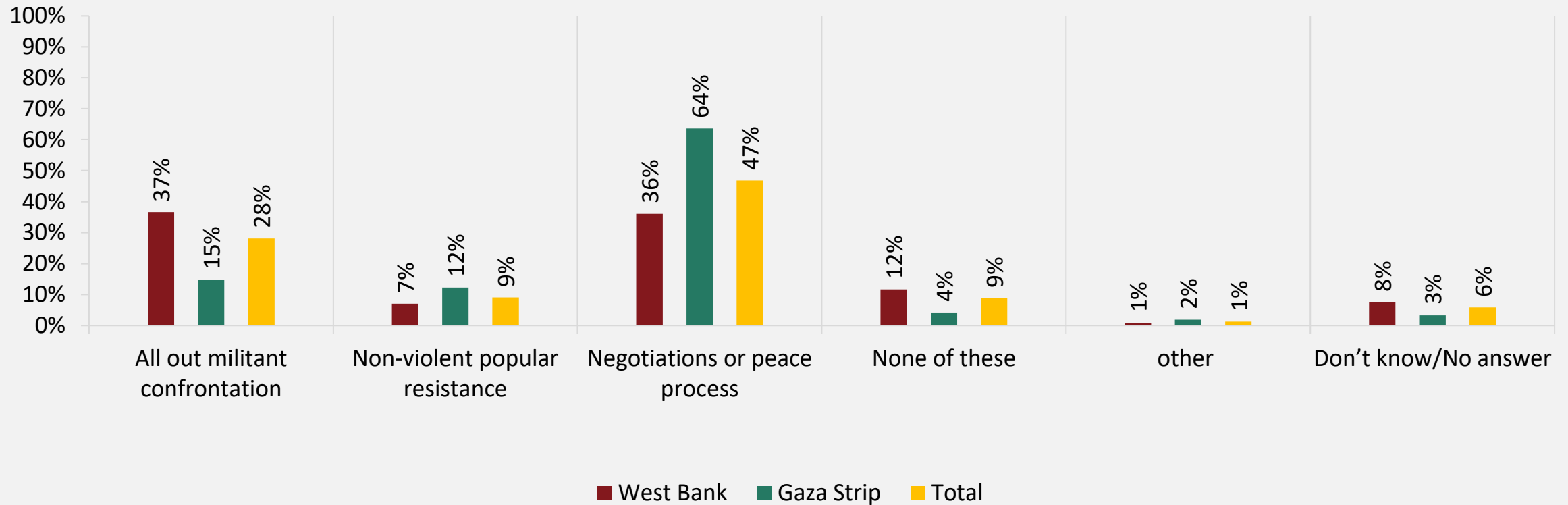


(West Bank respondents only n = 611)

Section Five: Peace Process and Prospective Solutions

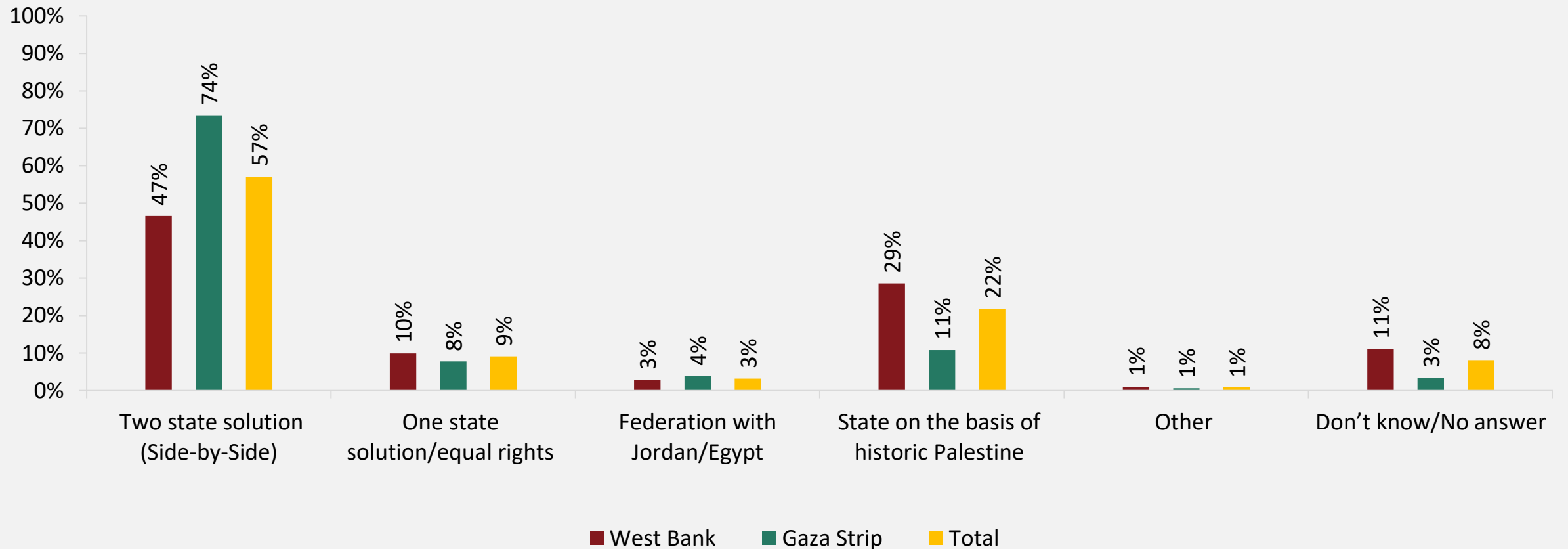
Strategies for Ending Occupation and Achieving an Independent Palestinian State

Given the present conditions in the West Bank, which of the following do you believe is most helpful to end the occupation and achieve an independent state?



Views of Potential Final-Status Solutions

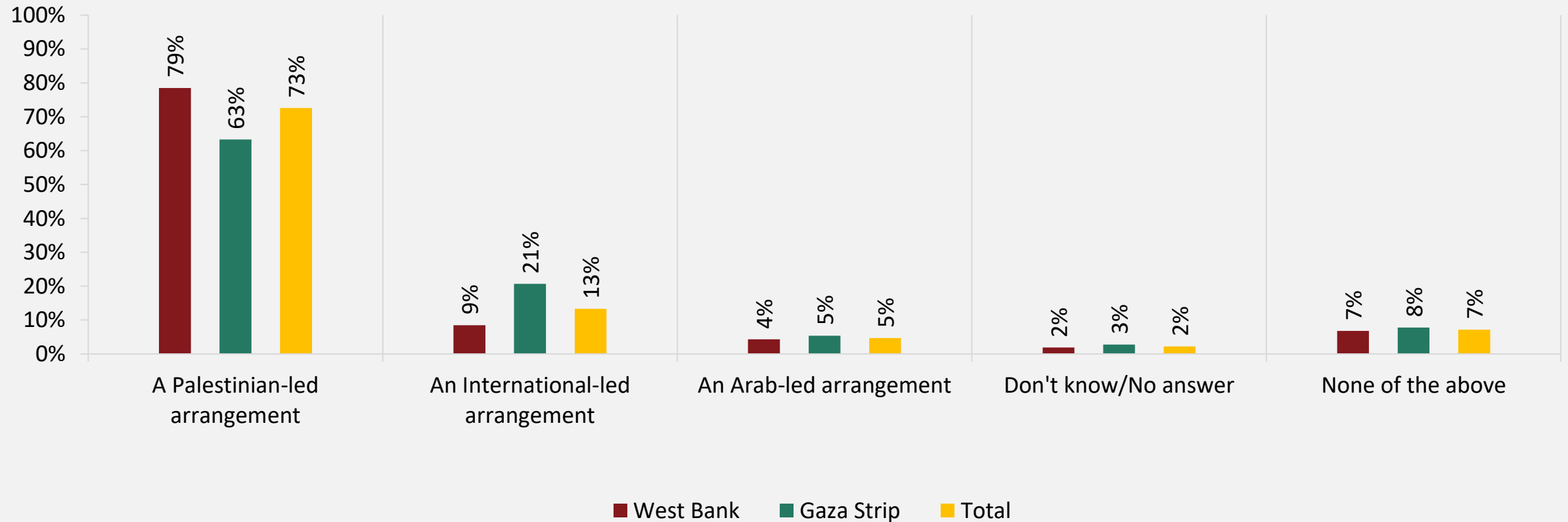
If presented with the following as viable options, which would you most prefer to achieve an end to the current crisis?



Section Six: The Day After: Assessment of the Role of Key Actors, Humanitarian Assistance, and Governance

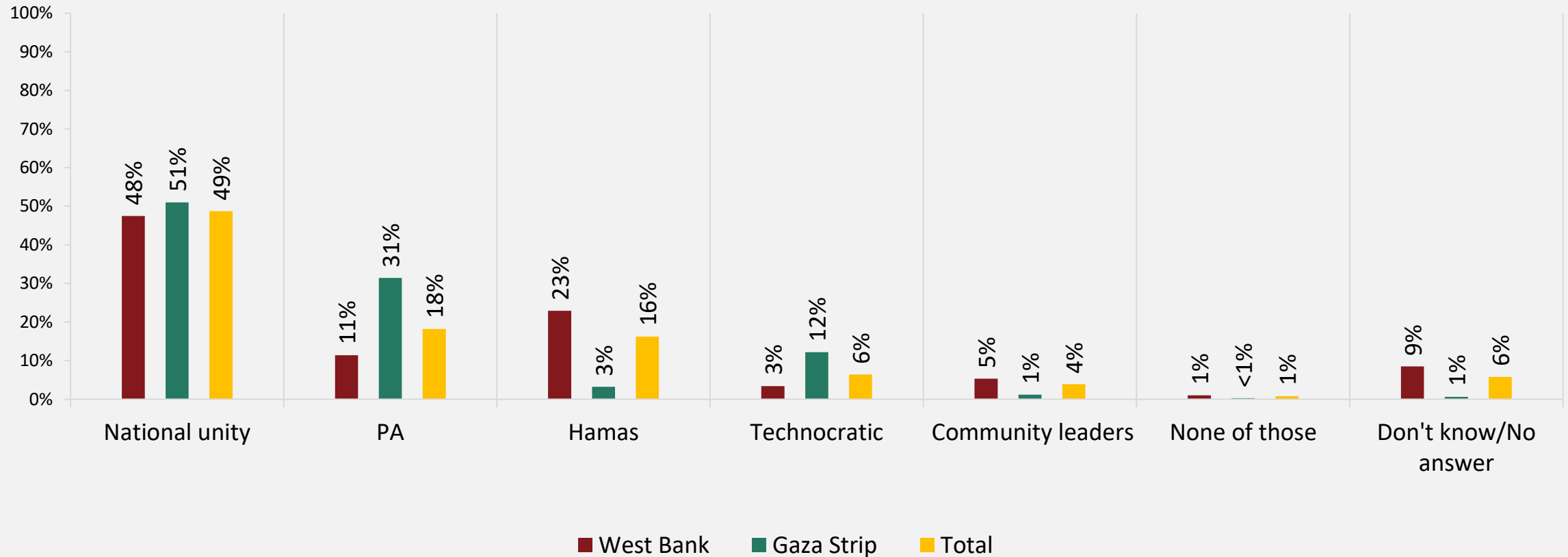
Trust in Key Actors to Lead Government Functions in Gaza after the War

Which among the following do you trust the most to provide the functions of government in Gaza after the war?



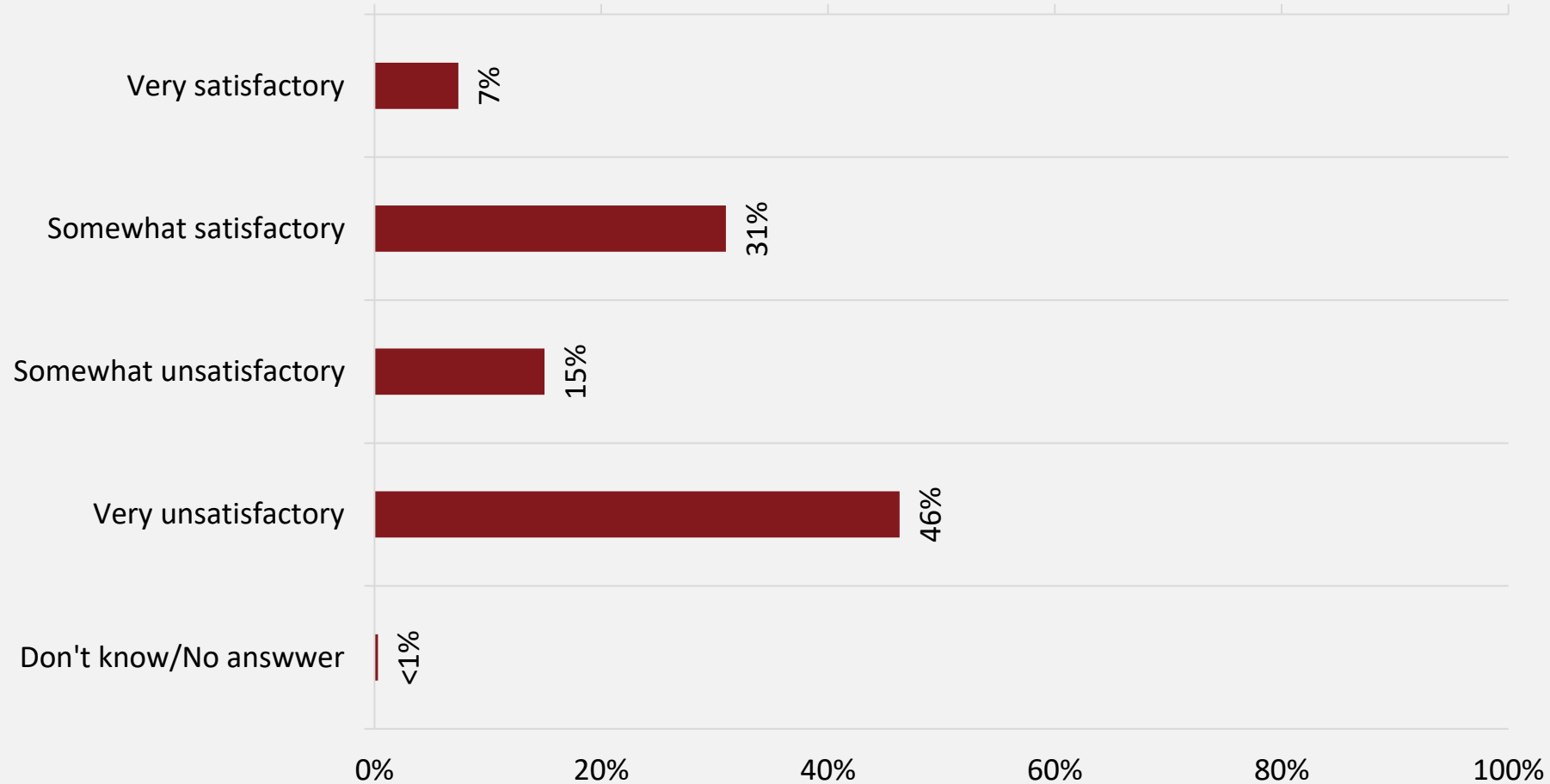
Trusted Palestinian Actors to Lead Government Functions in Gaza after the War

Which among the following Palestinian actors do you trust the most leading the governance of Gaza?



Satisfaction with Humanitarian Assistance

How satisfied are you regarding the performance of international humanitarian agencies in providing necessary support and services for yourself and your family?

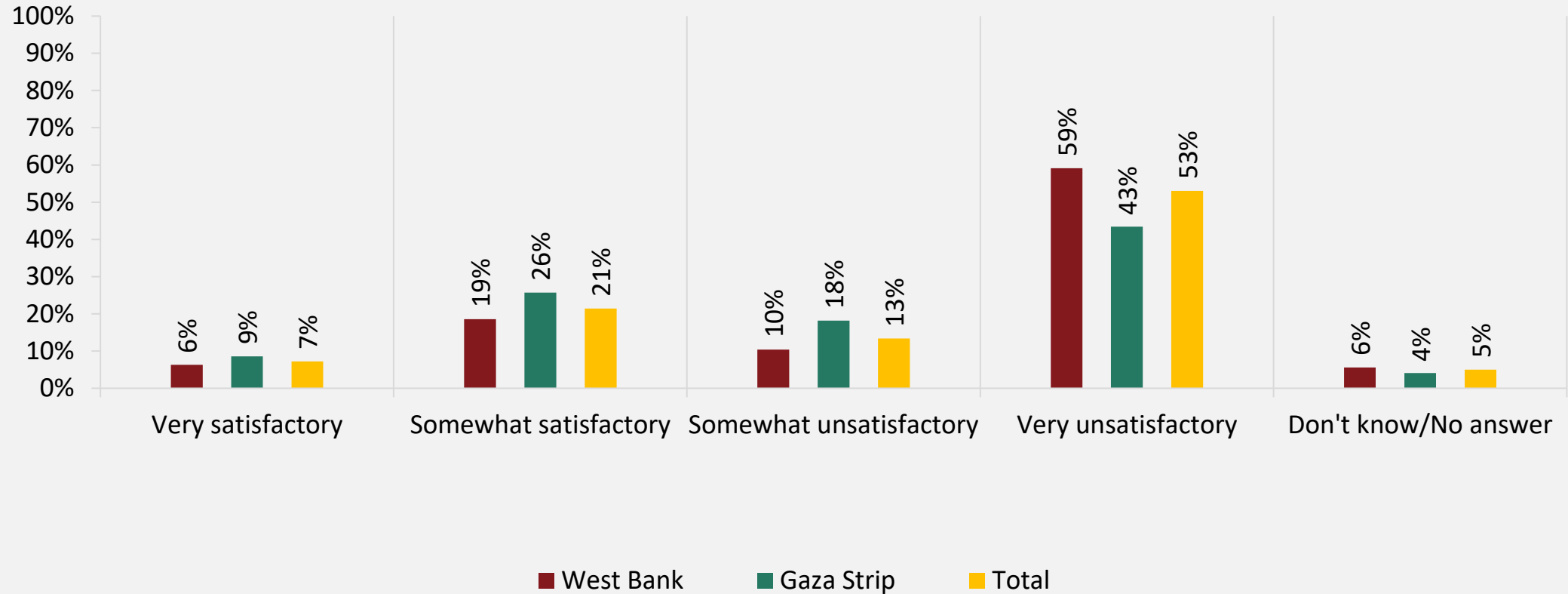


(Gaza Strip respondents only n = 391)

Section Seven: Assessment of the Role of Palestinian President and Government

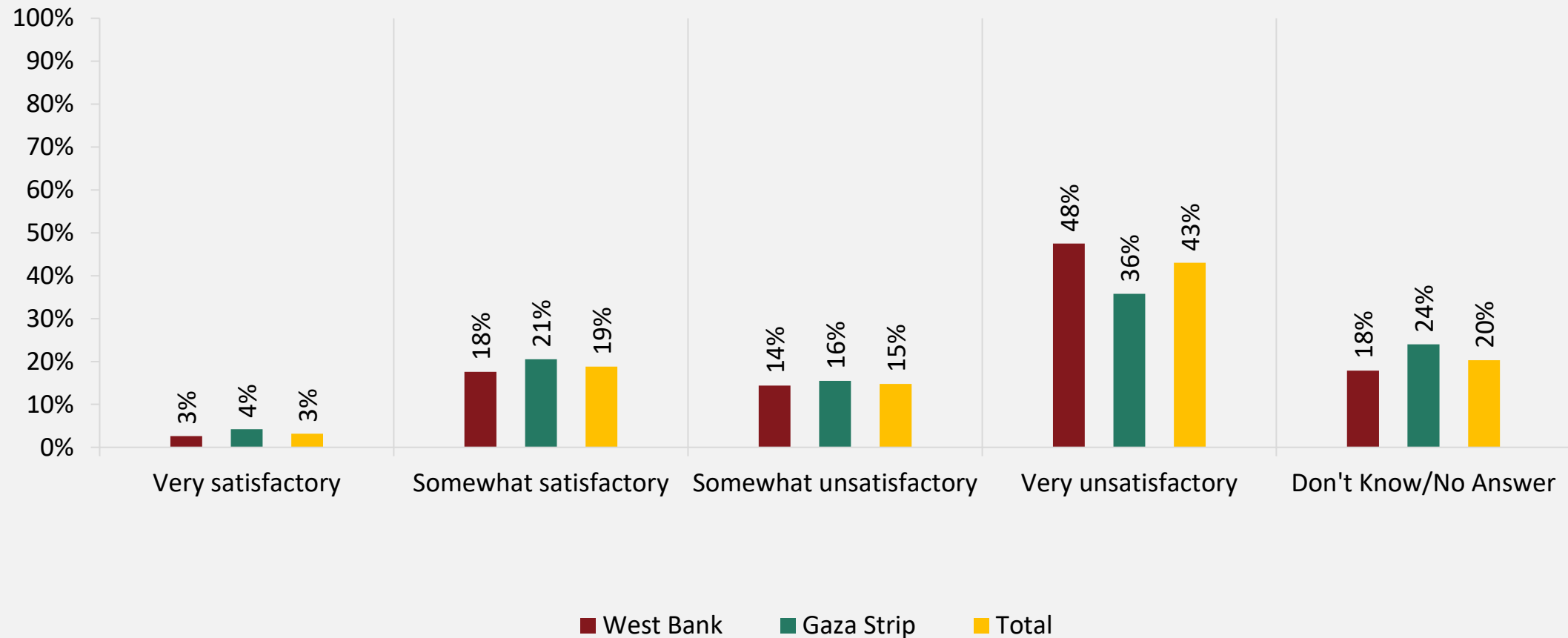
Satisfaction with the overall Performance of the PA President (Mahmoud Abbas)

How do you evaluate the overall performance of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen)?



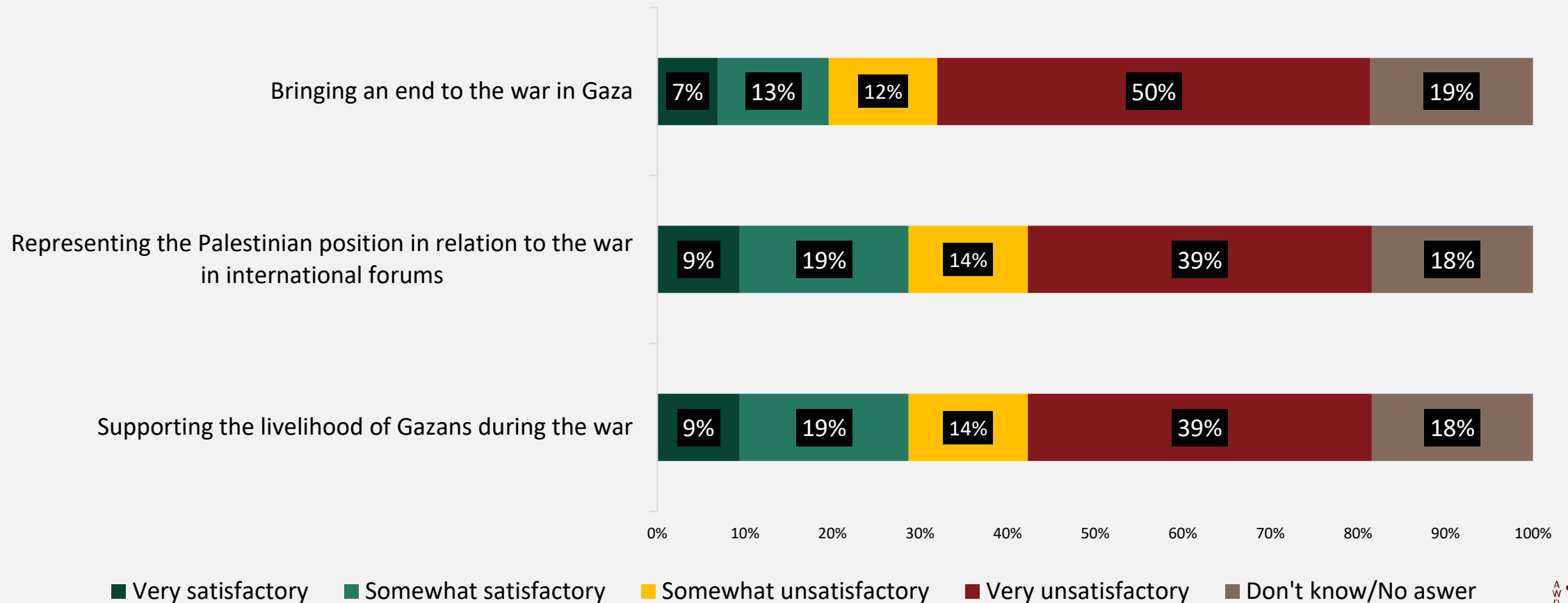
Satisfaction with the overall Performance of the PA Government (Dr. Mohammad Mustafa)

How do you evaluate the overall performance of the Palestinian Authority Government led by Dr. Mohammad Mustafa ?



Assessment of the Role of the PA Government Concerning Gaza

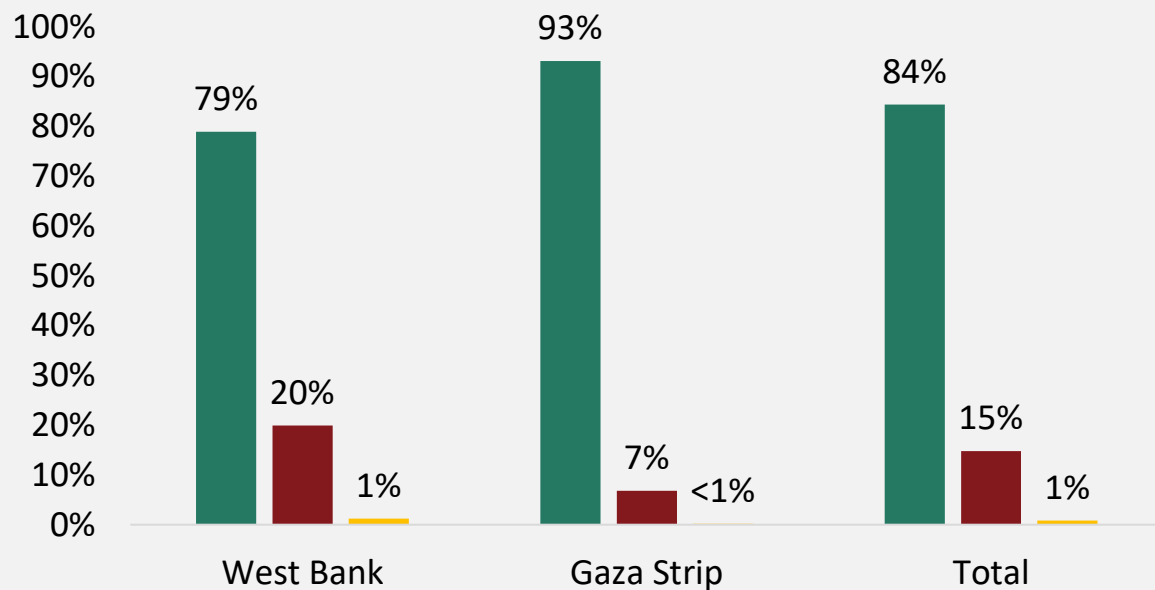
How do you assess the performance of the Palestinian Authority Government, led by Dr. Muhammad Mustafa, in the following fields?



Section Eight: Elections

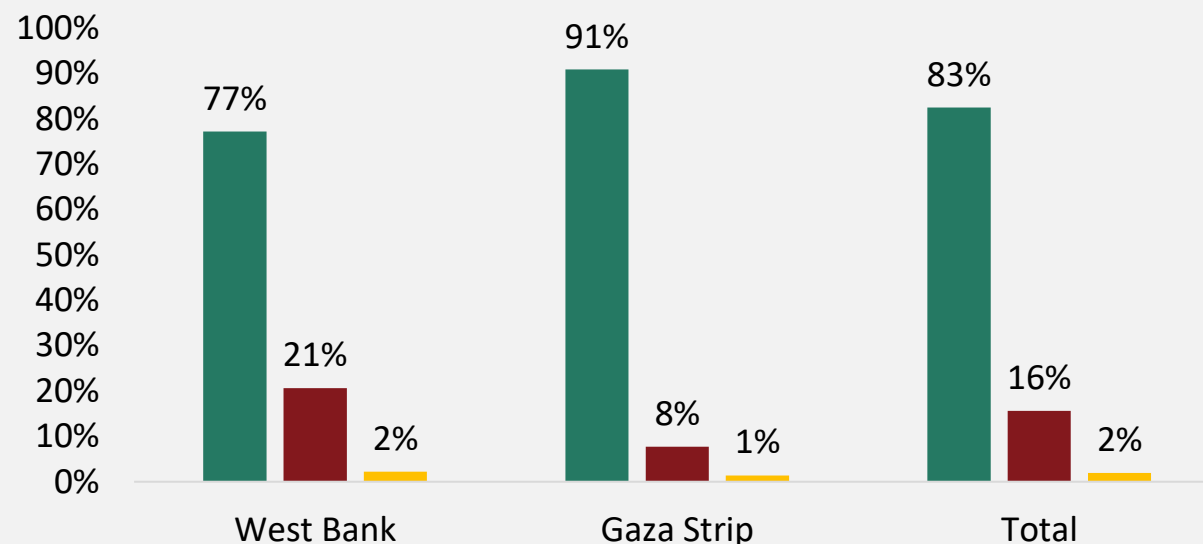
Presidential and Legislative Election

After the war, do you support holding a presidential election?



■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't Know/No Answer

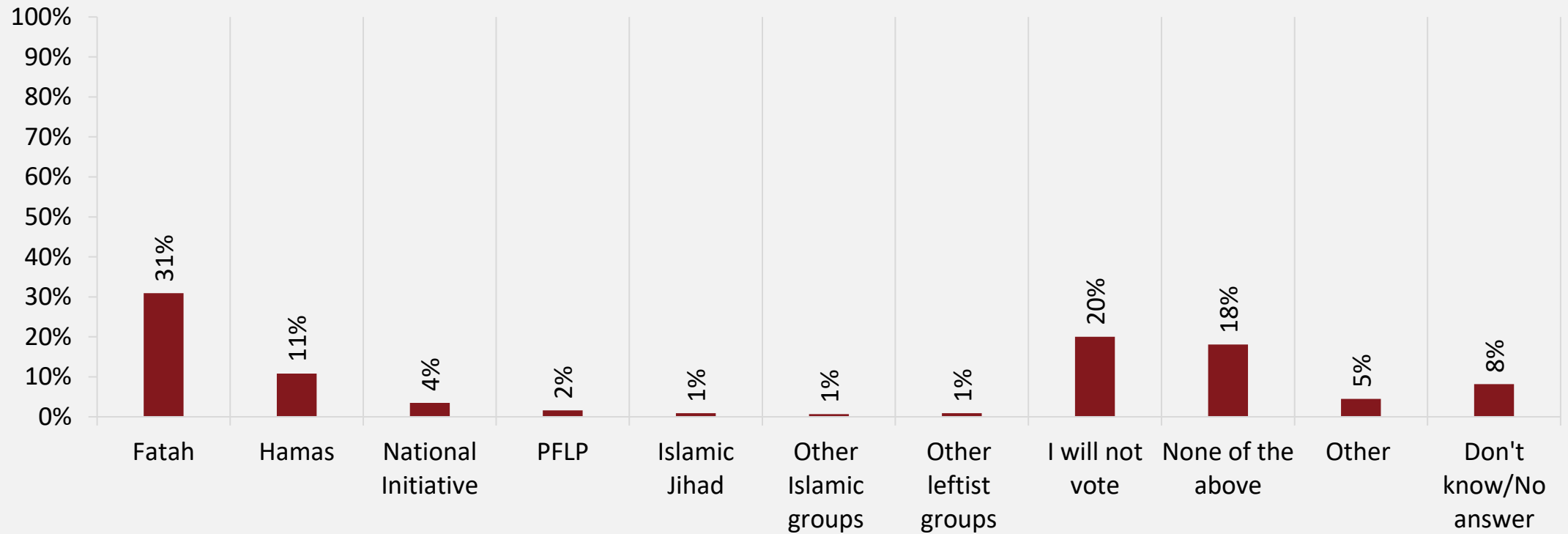
After the war, do you support holding a legislative/parliamentary election among Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip?



■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't Know/No Answer

Preferred Political Party for Upcoming Legislative Election

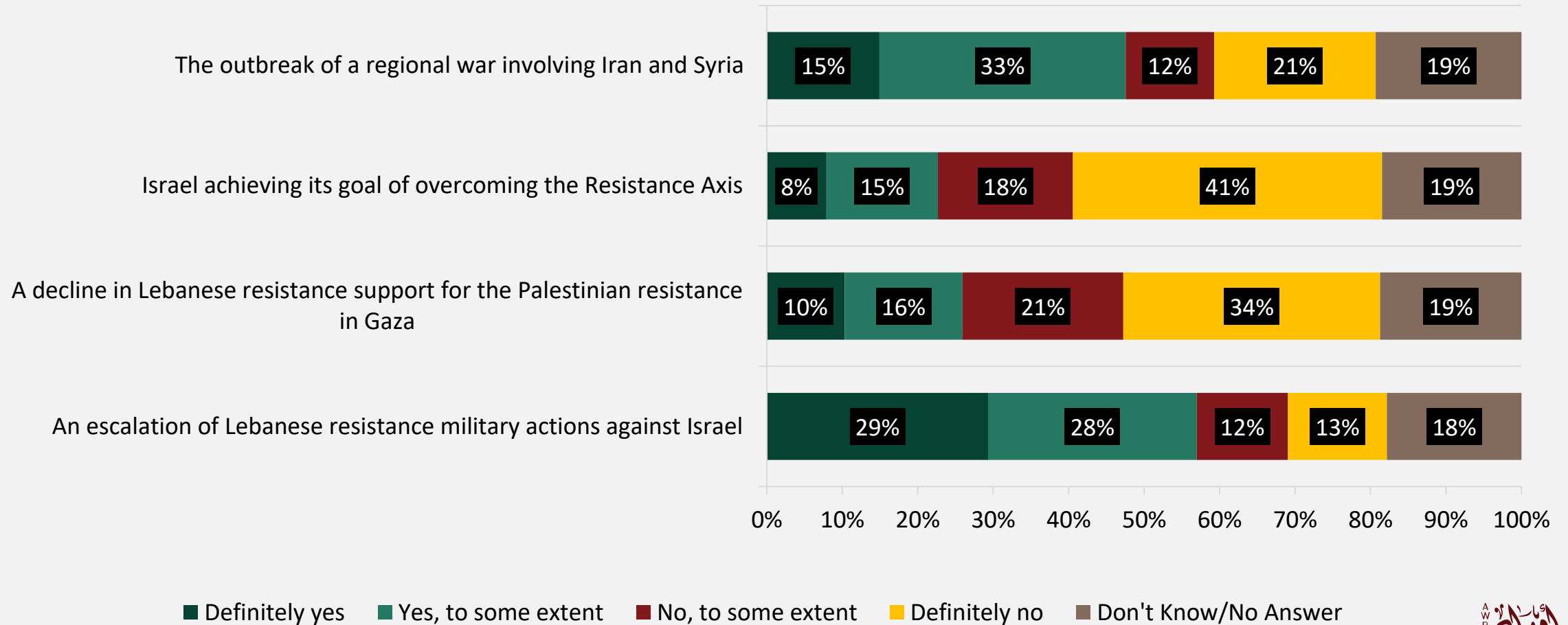
Which political party are you most likely to vote for in an upcoming legislative election?



Section Nine: Assassination of Hassan Nasrallah

Implications of the Assassination of Hassan Nasrallah

Regarding the assassination of Hassan Nasrallah, do you believe his assassination will lead to the following...?





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